5	Jammu & Kashmir	200
6	Himachal Pradesh	300
7	Haryana	1900
8-	Karnataka	1400
9	Kerala	1100
10	Madhya Pradesh	1600
11	Maharashtra	3200
12	Orissa	600
13	Punjab	4100
14	Rajasthan	1800
15	Tamilnadu	2600
16	Uttar Pradesh Pardesh	*12400*
17	West Bengal	4200

Oil deposits in West Bengal

206. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

. (a) whether Government have received any report to the effect that oil-deposits in West Bengal are in the nature of oil deposits in Saudi
Arabia which need deep drilling using high technology; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SAT-YA PRAKASH MALAV.IYA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. A paper written by Shri Pradeep Das Gupta, Head of the Department of Geology, Presidency College, Calcutta had been re-' ceived ' by Government. Government had sought the views of ONGC on Shri Das Gupta's interpretation of the geolpgy of West Bengal. ONGC may hold further discussions with Shri Das Gupta.

उत्तर प्रदेश में सोनभद्र जिले के रेणुकूट नगर में एल०पी०जी० गैस की सुविधा प्रदान करना

207. **श्रीमती मीरा दास :** क्या **पेट्रोलियम और रसायन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उत्तर प्रदेश के सोनभद्र जिले के रेणुकूट नगर में एल०पी०जी० की डिस्ट्रिब्यूटरशिप के आवंटन में विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं और उस क्षेत्र के लोगों को कब तक एल०पी०जी० की सुविधा प्रदान कर दी जायेगी ;

(ख) क्या सरकार रेणुकूट को एल० पी०जी० की सुविधा मिलने तक वहां के निवासियों को राबर्टसगंज के निकटवर्ती डीलर के गैस की सप्लाई कराने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और रसायन मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्री (श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय) : (क) रेणुकूट शहर में एल० पी०जी० डिस्ट्रीब्यूटरशिप के आबंटन में विलम्ब का मुख्य कारण डिस्ट्रीब्यूटर की नियुक्ति के लिए उपयुक्त उम्मीदवार का उपलब्ध नहीं होना है । उत्पाद की कर्मी और अव्यवहार्य डिस्ट्रीब्यूटरों की अधिक संख्या की दृष्टि से नए डिस्ट्रीब्यूटरशिप स्थापित करने में धीमी गति से कार्य करने के लिए तेल उद्योग विवश है । अतः यह बता पाना संभव नहीं है कि उस क्षेत्र में एल०पी०जी० की कब सुविधा लागू होगी ।

(ख) और (ग) जी, नहीं । राबर्ट्सगंज से रेणुकूट की बीच की दूरी के कारण, जो लगभग 70 कि०मीटर है, राबर्टसगंज से रेणुकूट तक एल०पी०जी० सुविधा का विस्तार संभव नहीं होगा ।

List of essential medicines

208. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry have drawn up a list of essential and life saving medicines;

(b) if so, what are the names of such medicines;

(c) on what basis/criteria decision on essentiality has been drawn;

(d) whether it is a fact that his Ministry have adopted the principle to exempt/reduce customs duty only on essential and life saving medicines appearing in this list; and

(e) if so, what are the names of meidcines for which his Ministry re-commended for exemption/reduction of customs duty?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SAT-YA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) and (b) list of essential and life saving medicines is not drawn up by my Ministry but is drawn up by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

(c) to (e) Customs duty on such medicines is exempted by Ministry of Finance based on the recommen dations of Ministry of Health & Fam ily Welfare. The names of the essen tial and life saving medicines on which customs duty has been exemp ted are notified from time to time by the Ministry of Finance based on the recommendations of the Ministry of Health and the time and efforts involved in compiling the list of such medicines will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Clearance to drug companies under industries (Development and Regulations) Act, 1951

209. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of drug companies having more than 25 per cent foreign equity which were given clearance by his Ministry to manufacture bulk drugs and formulations under the Industries (Development and Regulations) Act, 1951 during the last three years and so far during the current year;

(b) what are the products involved and what are the conditions imposed;

(c) whether his Ministry have imposed Phased Manufacturing Programme' in any of the case; and

(d) if so, what are the names of such drugs and the details of the 'Phased Manufacturing Programme' conditons in each case?